

House Resolution

No. 8

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House Resolution No. 8—Relative to Problem Gambling Awareness Week.

- 1 WHEREAS, The National Council on Problem Gambling has
- 2 designated the week of March 3, 2013, to March 9, 2013, inclusive,
- 3 as National Problem Gambling Awareness Week; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Problem gambling is a public health issue affecting
- 5 Californians to lose relationships, homes, jobs, and possessions.
- 6 Problem gambling is isolating and has a significant societal and
- 7 economic cost; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The Office of Problem and Pathological Gambling,
- 9 the Gambling Studies Program at the University of California, Los
- 10 Angeles, and trained authorized therapists throughout the state

1 have provided services to more than 3,100 clients affected by
2 problem gambling behavior; and

3 WHEREAS, The Office of Problem and Pathological Gambling
4 has now interpreted treatment services available in the Sacramento
5 area to help licensed therapists treat limited English speaking
6 California residents; and

7 WHEREAS, Individuals, professionals, and organizations within
8 California have come together to educate the public about the
9 negative impacts of problem gambling behavior and to raise
10 awareness of treatment services available locally and nationally;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, The Bureau of Gambling Control within the
13 Department of Justice, the California Gambling Control
14 Commission, the California State Lottery, the California Friday
15 Night Live Partnership, the California Gaming Association, the
16 California Tribal Business Alliance, Media Solutions, the NICOS
17 Chinese Health Coalition, and the National Asian Pacific American
18 Families Against Substance Abuse (NAPAFASA) have joined the
19 Office of Problem and Pathological Gambling within the State
20 Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs and the California
21 Council on Problem Gambling in a collaborative effort to promote
22 problem gambling prevention and treatment programs; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
25 week of March 3, 2013, to March 9, 2013, inclusive, be recognized
26 as Problem Gambling Awareness Week and the agencies and
27 organizations described above be commended for their concerted
28 effort to raise public awareness of problem gambling; and be it
29 further

30 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
31 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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